PATENT APPLICATION

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For: "Desk-Top Cutting Machine With Tiltable Saw"

<u>UNDER 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98</u>

ATTN: APPLICATION BRANCH Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO-1449 form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem relevant to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (1) no later than three months from the application's filing date or (2) before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits (whichever is later), and therefore no certification under 37 CFR § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(p) is required.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant

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submits the following explanation: Japanese Utility Model Unexamined Publication No. Sho. 63-49901 (which is cited on page 2 of the present specification) discloses a desk-top cutting machine in which a saw shaft is connected to a motor shaft through a bevel gear and a bevel pinion in such a manner that a motor housing is orthogonal to the saw shaft, as a result of which a saw can be tilted with both right and left inclinations to cut a workpiece. However, the bevel gear and the bevel pinion used as a power transmission mean are expensive, and also the bevel gear and the bevel pinion orthogonal to each other require a gear box with high accuracy to keep a suitable backlash. On the contrary, according to the claimed invention, a transmission belt etc., which is economical, is used as a transmission means for performing cutting at the right and left inclined angle.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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